

Paul's Big Storm

A Bible Story for Kids

Find it in the Bible: Acts 27:1-28:10

Characters: Paul, Julius the centurion, Luke, Aristarchus, The islanders of Malta

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PAUL WAS BEING taken on a big ship to the city of Rome. But Paul told the people in charge, 'We shouldn't sail now. A bad storm is coming!' The captain didn't listen to Paul. He thought he knew better.

They sailed out into the sea. Then—WHOOOOSH! A huge storm came! The wind blew and blew. Waves crashed over the ship. Rain poured down. It was so dark they couldn't see the sun or stars for many days!

Everyone was scared. They thought they were going to die! But Paul stood up and said, 'Don't be afraid! Last night an angel from God came to me. God said we will ALL be safe! The ship will crash, but every single person will live. I believe God!'

The storm kept going for fourteen days! Finally, CRASH! The ship hit some rocks and broke into pieces. 'Swim to shore!' everyone yelled. Some people swam, and some floated on

pieces of wood. Guess what? All 276 people made it safely to an island called Malta, just like God promised!

The people on Malta were very kind. They made a fire to warm everyone up. When Paul was putting sticks on the fire, a poisonous snake bit his hand! Everyone thought Paul would die. But Paul just shook the snake off into the fire. Nothing bad happened to him at all! The people were amazed.

Paul stayed on Malta for three months. He healed sick people and told everyone about Jesus. God protected Paul through the storm and used him to help many people!

When God makes a promise, He always keeps it. Not even a huge storm or a poisonous snake could stop God's plan for Paul!